ſir of the infernal Judges; and another time the anguiſh of a criminal led out to puniſhment. But, ſaid the traveller's friends, interrupting him, What could theſe wretches have in view? Were they intent upon labouring for the public good? —Not at all.——They were perhaps ſeeking after the philoſopher's ſtone.—No ſuch fancy came into their head.——The problem of the quadrature of the circle might have employed their thoughts.—They never had a reliſh for ſuch knotty queſtions. ——Well, now we have it; they were doing penance for their ſins.—You are quite miſtaken.——What in the name of goodneſs then were they about? For they muſt have been all mad folks, as you deſcribe them; without hearing, ſpeaking, or feeling. ——They were at play; that's all.

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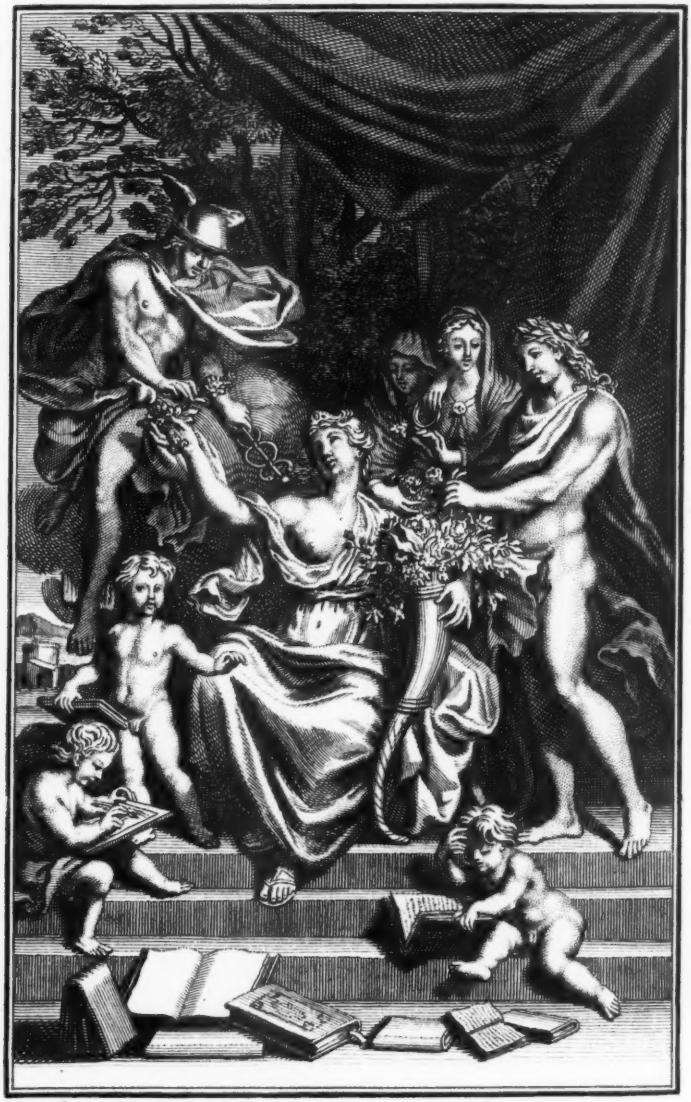

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